

Remarks

Favorable review is requested in view of the following remarks. Claims 1, 21, 23, and 24 have been amended. No new matter has been added. Claims 1 – 14 and 21 – 26 are pending in the application.

Applicants respectfully request that upon allowance of claims 1 and 21 that withdrawn claims 10, 11, and 26 be re-entered and reconsidered.

Claim Objections

Claims 23 and 24 were objected to because of informalities. Claims 23 and 24 have been amended in view of the objections. Withdrawal of the objection is respectfully requested.

Claim Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 102

Claims 1 – 9 and 21 – 25 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Chapin et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,128,822). Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection, and respectfully request reconsideration in view of the following comments.

Claim 1 requires that the first streamline control element and the second streamline control element are rearward of the longitudinal centerline. Chapin et al. fail to teach or suggest that the first streamline control element and the second streamline control element are rearward of the longitudinal centerline.

Claim 21 requires that the first streamline control element and the second streamline control element are isolated. Chapin et al. fail to teach or suggest that the first streamline control element and the second streamline control element are isolated.

Withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.


Allowable Subject Matter

Applicants gratefully acknowledge that claims 12 – 14 are allowable.

Conclusion

In view of the comments presented herein, favorable reconsideration in the form of a Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested. If any further questions should arise, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' representative at the number listed below.

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